

REMARKS


In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed on July 28, 2005, Applicant hereby elects Group I, Claims 24-31, 34-37 and 44-57 with traverse. In addition, Applicant hereby withdraws claims 32 and 33 of Group II.

The Examiner contends that the claims of Group I are drawn to a deposition method classified in class 427, subclass 248.1 and that the claims of Group II are drawn to a method of retrofitting a CVD chamber classified in class 29, subclass various. The topic of Class 29 is metal working. The topic of class 427/248.1, and its subclasses, is coating by vapor, gas, or smoke. Applicant submits that the Examiner would have to consider class 427/248.1 and its subclasses when searching the claims of Group II, as these claims are directed to modifying a CVD system to add an external receptacle. The claims of Group II are not directed to working metal to make an article of manufacture (e.g., a crankshaft or a metal roller). Hence, Applicant submits that the Examiner would not have a "serious burden" in examining Group II along with Group I.

Applicant does not believe that any fees are due in connection with this submission. However, if such petition is due or any additional fees are necessary, the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,
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